

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): An information processing apparatus comprising:

control information acquiring means for acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;

identification information acquiring means for acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;

code information acquiring means for acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired by said identification information acquiring means, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired by said control information acquiring means, said code information acquiring means comprising:

determination means for determining whether code information corresponding to said identification information is recorded in a memory of said information processing apparatus; and

accession means for accessing, if said determination means determines that said code information is not recorded in said memory, a server apparatus to download said code information; and

transmitting means for transmitting said code information acquired by said code information acquiring means to said recording apparatus.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said code information instructs said recording apparatus to execute one of operations for starting and ending a recording session.

Claim 3 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transmitting means transmits said code information which instructs said recording apparatus to execute a preset recording operation.

Claim 4 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said identification information acquiring means acquires a maker name and a model name of said recording apparatus as said identification information.

Claim 5 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said code information acquiring means acquires said code information through a network.

Claim 6 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control information includes broadcast channel information, broadcast date, broadcast start time, and broadcast end time of said program.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): An information processing method comprising:
acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;

acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;

acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information

acquired during said control information acquiring , said code information acquiring comprising:

determining whether code information corresponding to said identification information is recorded in a memory of an information processing apparatus; and
accessing, if said determining determines that said code information is not recorded in said memory, a server apparatus to download said code information; and
transmitting said code information acquired during said code information acquiring to said recording apparatus.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable storage medium, including computer program instructions which cause a computer to implement a method of information processing, comprising:

acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;

acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;

acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring , code information for controlling said recording apparatus, ~~said code information~~, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired during said control information acquiring , said code information acquiring comprising:

determining whether code information corresponding to said identification information is recorded in a memory of an information processing apparatus; and
accessing, if said determining determines that said code information is not recorded in said memory, a server apparatus to download said code information; and

transmitting said code information acquired during said code information acquiring to
said recording apparatus.